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Title

Porifera-Based Therapeutic Compositions for Treating and

Preventing Skin Diseases

AMENDMENT AND RESPONSE TO FINAL OFFICE ACTION

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Sir:

The Applicant submits the following Amendment and Remarks in Response to the Final Office Action dated June 2, 2006 in the above referenced patent application. This response is being submitted within two months of the mailing date of the Final Office Action, that is, by August 2, 2006.

Amendments to the Claims are reflected in the listing of claims which begins on page 2 of this paper.

Remarks/Arguments begin on page 4 of this paper.